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1. DEPARTMENT AGREES THAT DRAFTING OF REPLY TO SOVIET
PROTEST ON INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL
RIGHTS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO BONN GROUP WHERE AD REF
TEXT SHOULD BE PRODUCED ON HIGH PRIORITY BASIS. IN OUR
VIEW ALLIES HAVE PROBABLY ALREADY DELAYED TOO LONG IN DEV-
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ELOPING RESPONSE, RAISING DANGER OF AGAIN SIGNALING TO

SOVIETS AND GDR OUR INDECISIVENESS AND LACK OF UNITY.

2. DURING BONN GROUP DISCUSSIONS US REP SHOULD STRESS
NEED FOR QUICK DISPOSAL OF SOVIET PROTEST, AND PRESS FOR
SHORTER RESPONSE ALONG LINES OUTLINED REFTTEL C. IF,
HOWEVER, MAJORITY REMAIN CLEARLY IN FAVOR OF MORE DETAILED
DRAFT, DEPARTMENT PREPARED TO ACCEPT PRESENT BRITISH
DRAFT (PARA 2, REFTTEL A) OR SOMETHING CLOSE TO IT. SISCOE

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